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**Title of Application:** SYSTEMS, METHODS, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS TO FACILITATE EFFICIENT TRANSMISSION AND PLAYBACK OF DIGITAL INFORMATION

**Transmitted with the patent application are the following:**

34 Page(s) Specification, Claims and Abstract  
5 Page(s) Drawings  
2 Page(s) Declaration and Power of Attorney  
2 Page(s) Assignment of the Invention to International Business Machines Corporation (including Recordation Cover Sheet)  
2 Page(s) Information Disclosure Statement (IDS/PTO 1449) (copies of citations not included in number of pages)  
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**This application is a:**

Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-Part of prior application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Fee Calculation:**

|                                  | Claims |       | Extra | Rate      | Fees      |
|----------------------------------|--------|-------|-------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Basic Fee</b>                 |        |       |       |           | \$710.00  |
| <b>Total Claims</b>              | 30     | -20 = | 10    | x \$18.00 | \$180.00  |
| <b>Independent Claims</b>        | 9      | -3 =  | 6     | x \$80.00 | \$480.00  |
| <b>Multiple Dependent Claims</b> |        |       |       | +\$270.00 |           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                     |        |       |       |           | \$1370.00 |

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